

Question 1:

Answer the following questions by clearly circling the *most appropriate* answer [1 point each]

1. Digital signatures provide the ability to authenticate message content but does not verify author.
 - a. True
 - ☒ b. False
2. If a CA private key is used in signing a digital certificate. Anyone with CA public key can read and verify certificate.
 - ☒ a. True
 - b. False
3. In public key cryptography if A wants to send an encrypted confidential message to B
 - a. A encrypts message using his private key
 - b. A encrypts message using B's private key
 - ☒ c. A encrypts message using B's public key
 - d. A encrypts message using his public key
4. Which of the following is not an SSL protocol
 - a. SSL handshake protocol
 - b. SSL change cipher Spec protocol
 - c. SSL record protocol
 - ☒ d. SSL session protocol
5. Message authentication does not deal with which of the following attacks
 - a. Masquerade
 - b. Timing modification
 - c. Content modification
 - d. Destination repudiation
 - ☒ e. Disclosure of message contents
6. Which of the following is not one of the security capabilities provided by a digital signature,
 - a. it must verify the author of the signature
 - ☒ b. it must verify old or new message
 - ☒ c. it must authenticate the content
 - d. it must authenticate denying of creation
7. Distributing public keys through public announcement has major weakness, which is,
 - ☒ a. Forgery, anyone can create a key claiming to be someone else and broadcast it
 - b. Bribery, anyone can bribe to claim the key
 - c. Sorcery, use magic to guess the key
 - d. Memory, hard to remember the public key
 - e. None of the above

8. HTTPS refers to

- a. The HTTP and SSL handshake that allows the server and client to authenticate each other and to negotiate encryption
- b. The HTTP and SSL establishment of security capabilities by the client to initiate and establish capabilities
- ☒ c. The combination of HTTP and SSL to implement secure communication between a web browser and a web server.
- d. The HTTP-specific protocol to change of pending state to be copied into current state

9. Message Authentication Code (MAC) is a cryptographic checksum and is a _____ function.

- a. One-to-one
- b. One-to-many
- ☒ c. Many-to-one
- d. Many-to-many

10. If the web security was implemented at the Network layer (Not Transport Layer) then we gain the following:

- ☒ a. Security will be transparent to end users and applications.
- b. Security is embedded in web browsers
- c. Security is embedded within the particular application to the specific needs of that application.
- ☒ d. No real security provided to higher layer protocols

$$de = 1 + \phi(n)$$

Question 2:

a

1. In RSA key setup, assume $p=3$, $q=11$ and $e=7$. Compute the public and private keys:

$$n = 3 \times 11 = 33, \phi(n) = 2 \times 10 = 20$$

[3 points]

$$de = 1 + \phi(n) = \frac{1+20}{7} = 3$$

$$P_R = \{3, 33\}$$

$$P_u = \{7, 33\}$$

2. Suppose that Alice chooses for an RSA system the primes $p = 23$, and $q = 41$, and the public key $e = 7$. [3 points]

- (a) Write the equation to encrypt the plaintext $M = 35$.

$$C = M^e \bmod n = 35^7 \bmod (23 \times 41)$$

- (b) Write the equation to decrypt the ciphertext $C=545$ with $d = 503$

$$M = C^d \bmod n = 545^{503} \bmod (23 \times 41)$$

3. In RSA, why primes p, q must not be easily derived from modulus $n=p \cdot q$ [2 points]

Because if p, q are discovered then easily can find e and calculating d .

4. Why public key cryptography was developed? List two issues resolved by public key

[2 points]

- It provide authentication ✓

- In private key, I have to find a way to distribute the key secretly, where here, I'll only distribute the public key ✓

Question 3:

b

1. Explain the following two hash function requirements:

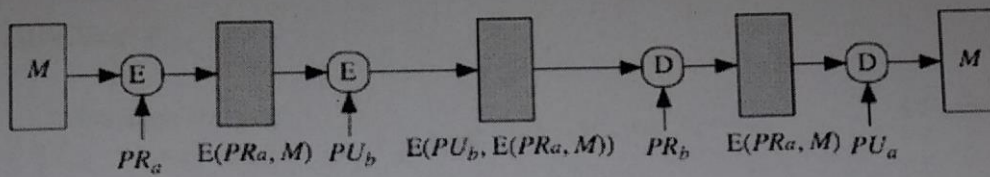
[2 points]

- Weak Collision resistant: For any given block x , it is computationally infeasible to find y with $H(y) = H(x)$

If I have a hash function (H) , it's hard to find a plaintext that have the same hash value as H

- Strong Collision resistant: It is computationally infeasible to find any pair (x, y) such that $H(x) = H(y)$.

It's hard to find two plaintexts that have the same hash value.



Public-key encryption: confidentiality, authentication, and signature

2. The above diagram shows public key encryption is used. Answer the following questions: [3 points]

i. Why the encryption provides no confidence of sender?

1 Because ~~the~~ the sender use his private key.

ii. Can you detect corrupted messages?

1 No

iii. What is the main disadvantage of the above approach?

1 It requires long time process.

3. An adversary has a database that contains 2^{70} different files. You have been signing your messages using a hash function that generates 64bit hash code and a secure private key. Are you safe? Explain why and propose a proper solution. [2 points]

2. NO, 64 bit hash code means I have 2^{64} different code, where I have 2^{70} files, which means there MUST be ~~at least~~ at least two files with the same hash. We can increase the size of the hash code.

4. List two of the four phases of the SSL handshake protocol? [1 points]

i. Server authentication and key exchange

1 ✓ ii. Client authentication and key exchange.

5. In SSL handshake protocol, the last phase sends finished_message from client to server. What is the main content and purpose of this message. [2 points]

x It contain the connection information.

x It is ~~sent~~ sent to close the connection between the client and the server

Question 4:

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1. Define Data integrity

[1 points]

The same data sent and received with no modification.

2. What is the birthday problem?

[1 points]

~~the hash~~ we need only half of the possible change to achieve 50% of matching.

3. Define data origin authentication:

[1 points]

It's verifying the ~~data~~ data sender

4. If we have a hash function, how do we construct a MAC from it?

[1 points]

~~XXXX~~ encrypt it using a key

5. Is digital signature the same as a MAC?

[1 points]

NO

6. Is it better to compute MAC before or after message encryption? Why

[1 points]

before, ~~so we can encrypt~~ because anyone can see the cipher so having the cipher and MAC is not secure.

7. A brute force attack on hash function depends solely on the length of hash code. A brute force attack on MAC depends on two factors?

[2 points]

size of the MAC code

A size of the key.

8. What is the purpose of the dual signature in SET protocol?

[2 points]

to send a linked order information and payment information to the merchant and the bank, but each one can see only the part he should see.